

REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEBRUARY 10, 2014

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, Monday, February 10, 2014 with Commissioners Bruce Levi, Mark Bacon, Mary Ann Beard, Auditor, and Leigh Morning, County Attorney in attendance. Ken Masters was absent

Commissioner Bruce Levi called the meeting to order. Minutes of the January 27th meeting were approved on a motion by Mark Bacon with Bruce Levi seconding the motion. Mark Bacon moved to retain the Commissioner offices with Bruce Levi as Commissioner President and Ken Masters as Vice President. Mr. Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RECORDER

Sally Niedenthal, Recorder requested permission to advertise for a full time and part time position in her office. The vacancy was created by the retirement of an employee. Mark Bacon moved to grant the request provided that the County Council also approves the action. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RIDE RUSH

The Commissioners approved the quarterly report for the Department of Transportation Reimbursement Grant for Ride Rush presented by Tina Logan. Mark Bacon moved to sign the voucher and Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ECDC

ECDC director John Mc Cane reported that Pioneer has requested that city water be extended to their property on US 52 W. The plan is to TIF new development for Pioneer and to utilize the Rushville Redevelopment Commission as is being done with the Milroy Industrial Corridor.

ANDERSON TWP

Becky Puckett representing Anderson Township Volunteer Fire Department reported that the department had responded to all 12 runs dispatched to their department.

CLERK

Debbie Richardson, Clerk stated that the county election board was requesting the number polling places in the county be reduced to nine. A public hearing is to be held on February 20th at 7:00 in the Commissioners Room. The decision was to consider the request at the next meeting which will take place after the public hearing.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Jeff Sherwood reported 48 inmates in the county jail. The computer system at the jail had experienced problems over the weekend due to issues with Nine Star their internet provider. The 911 system was not affected. The sheriff had a question on the county's insurance when he found that the deductible had increased from \$100 to \$500. The change was discovered when a patrol car needed a replaced windshield. The question on the cost of inmate meal has been resolved. There was a misunderstanding on the number of meals being ordered.

HIGHWAY

Superintendent Jerry Sitton presented the engineering contract with Butler, Fairman, & Seufert for the Carthage Pike. The amount of the 80% reimbursable contract is \$216,000. Mark Bacon moved to sign the contract. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried. Sitton submitted the monthly report and reported that \$225,000 has been spent on snow removal.

APC

APC director Kevin Tolloty was questioned why his office was not open on February 5th when the other courthouse offices were open for business. Tolloty reported that it was his secretary's day off and the weather prohibited his travel to work. It was noted that the closed sign was posted on his door the prior night. Tolloty was instructed to contact the auditor in such an event.

MILROY TIF

The following resolution for the Milroy Industrial Corridor Redevelopment Area was approved on a motion by Mark Bacon. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Commissioner Mark Bacon made the motion to sign two resolutions to support "Replace Don't Erase" personal property taxes as proposed by the State Legislature. One declaration is for Rush County and the other a joint resolution with other units of Rush County government. Commissioner Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AUDITOR

- Permission to allow the "Heart Gallery" for foster children was granted. Motion by Mark Bacon with Bruce Levi seconding the motion.
- Surety bond was signed for Jake Kolb. Motion by Mark Bacon. Seconded by Bruce Levi.
- EMS report from Raleigh Fire Department was reviewed.
- The Treasurer's monthly report was submitted.

Mark Bacon moved to sign claims after the auditor questioned a credit card bill without a submitted claim. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Payroll was approved on a motion by Mark Bacon. Bruce Levi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

/s/ Bruce Levi
Bruce Levi, Chairman

/s/ Mark Bacon
Mark Bacon

/s/ Ken Masters
Ken Masters

ATTEST:

/s/ Mary Ann Beard
Mary Ann Beard, Auditor